

# MINUTES

GWAR Committee

ZOOM Conference

1:30 – 3:00

Meeting Number 1

September 4, 2020

In attendance: Joseph Aubele, Lori Brown, Annel Estrada, Noah Golden, John Hamilton, Sarvenaz Hatam, Eileen Klink, Tina Matchuniak, Henry O'Lawrence, Ben Perlman, Shabnam Sodagari

1. Introductions: The committee welcomed new member Ben Perlman, Lecturer in the Department of Biology.
2. The agenda was approved.
3. No minutes were recorded at the May 15, 2020 meeting.
4. Officer Elections for Chair, Vice Chair, and Recording

x Lindau agreed to serve as Recording Secretary, and w

5. Academic Senate Writing Intensive Course Approval Process

x Brown explained developments in Writing Intensive policy over the summer. These courses were formerly "c  
overseen by GEGC. Since WI courses are now Gradu  
Requirements rather than GE requirements, it was dec

x We will need aVI

- x Hamilton offered to report on how the other CSU campuses are handling this situation. He noted that ATS has been a great partner to the testing department.
- x Brown shared that the GPE currently identifies some 1200 students per year who need extra help with writing. This is a good reason to find a way to keep using the test, and not simply send those students into WI courses without remedial help.

#### 8. SubCommittees- GPEAC and Writing Intensive

- x More members are needed for the GPEAC subcommittee, also known as the GPE prompt writing committee. Its numbers have dwindled
- x It may be time to reconsider the GPE format.

campus entities. He should also be encouraged to write a letter making his case and to solicit letters from his department.

#### 10. Agenda items for fall 2020 and New Business.

- x Klink brought up a current discussion on the CSU English listserv, and suggested a CSU system-wide discussion about GWAR. Some